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A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No new vocational school was established by Government in the year 1927-28. The schools already in existence were continued during the year and grants were given to schools under private management.

If by the expression 'vocational schools' the hon. Member refers to schools which make provision for manual training, the Government sanctioned the opening of new manual training classes in three Government training schools and also sanctioned grants for the opening of such classes in several secondary and elementary schools under local bodies and aided agencies.

Establishment of girls' schools in additional centres.

* 626 *Q.*—Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government propose to establish high schools for girls in any additional centres;

(*b*) if so, when; and

(*c*) what are the centres selected by Government?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The question of opening additional secondary schools for girls is under consideration.

Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao:—"May I know when the question will be settled, Sir?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan:—"The Government are considering the question of having additional secondary schools even in this financial year."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar:—"May I know how long this has been engaging the attention of the hon. Minister?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan:—"This has been engaging my attention only for the last six months. That is why my hon. Friend is not aware of it."

Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu:—"May I know whether it is only the question of additional centres that is under consideration or whether it is the whole question that is under consideration?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan:—"The question where these schools ought to be located is under consideration."

Conveyance arrangements for students of the Lady Willingdon Teaching College for Women.

* 627 *Q.*—Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether he is aware that students of the Indian Christian Hostel attached to the Lady Willingdon Teaching College for Women feel great hardship in having to walk a long distance owing to the change of location from Triplicane to Mylapore; and